D-204 Patrick's Discovery Taylor's Island c. 1828 and later Private

Patrick's Discovery is one of the oldest frame structures on Taylor's Island, and it survives with some finely executed second quarter of the nineteenth century Federal woodwork combining raised-panel and beaded board finishes. While the hall/parlor plan first floor interior has been consolidated into one large space, the end walls in the former hall and parlor retain their original woodwork finishes. Distinguishing each end wall are enclosed winder staircases behind six-panel doors, and the fireplaces are framed by Federal mantels. The north wall finishes in the former hall are more elaborate with a paneled block frieze and stepped and broken mantel shelf. As well, a built-in glazed door cupboard, and an adjacent built-in raised panel cupboard, distinguish this wall. Plain corner blocks enhance the narrow paneled face door and window trim. The room also survives with period chair rail and baseboards.

Planter Moses Navy (1797-1855) is credited with the construction of the well-appointed house on a part of a tract called "Patrick's Discovery" or "Patrick's Progress," land which he acquired in November 1827. The date of the land transfer and the architectural nature of the interior woodwork comfortably place the construction of the main body of the house shortly after this purchase. Moses Navy was a relatively prosperous planter for this time; on the occasion of the 1850 U.S. census he was listed with real estate valued at \$8,000. The year before his death, Moses Navy's daughter Eliza married Thomas H. Travers on November 22, 1854, and the plantation operation

and ownership passed to the next generation. In 1877, Thomas H. and Eliza Travers sold her parents farm to Samuel M. Travers, and the house and farm remained in Travers family hands until 1929.

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DESCRIPTION SUMMARY

"Patrick's Discovery," also known historically as the Moses Navy farm, is located at 4608 North Point Road on the north side of Taylor's Island in Dorchester County, Maryland. Situated on Oyster Cove and reached by way of a farm lane, the two-story, three-bay, hall/parlor plan house dates to the second quarter of the nineteenth century. Estimated to date around 1830, the timber frame main block is supported on a low brick foundation, and the exterior retains its beaded weatherboards. The steeply pitched roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Attached to the south gable end is a story-and-a-half kitchen wing, a separate structure that was moved up to the end of the house. A third section, a single-story wing dates from the mid to late 20th century. The interior of the main block boasts superior early nineteenth end wall finishes that combine vertical beaded board tongue-and-groove and raised paneling. Boxed winder stairs provide access to the second floor. At some point during the twentieth century, the off-center partition was removed to consolidate the first floor into one large space and the ceiling plaster was removed exposing the floor joists.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The farm known as "Patrick's Discovery" is defined by an early nineteenth century two-story, hall/parlor plan frame dwelling that faces Oyster Cove on the north end of Taylor's Island, Dorchester County, Maryland. The address is 4608 North Point Road. Facing east, the gable roof is oriented on a north/south axis. Estimated to date around 1830, the two-story timber frame structure is supported on a low brick foundation, and the exterior is sheathed with beaded weatherboard siding. The steeply pitched gable roof, covered with asphalt shingles, is finished with boxed cornices and flush gable ends.

The east (main) façade is a symmetrical three-bay elevation with a center entrance and flanking sixover-six sash windows. The partially glazed replacement door is topped by a multi-pane transom. The windows are framed by a narrow beaded edge surround typical of the early nineteenth century. The second floor is defined by three single-pane sash replacement windows. All of the window openings are flanked by louvered shutters. The opposite side of the house facing Oyster Cove is defined by a two-story enclosed porch. Rising through the gable ends are interior brick chimneys.

The south gable end is partially covered by a story-and-a-half kitchen wing that is defined by a center entrance and windows to each side. Square shaped windows light the second floor loft. An interior end brick chimney stack pierces the gable end.

Inside, the first floor of the main block survives with most of its original early nineteenth century woodwork aside from the off-center partition and ceiling plaster. The north wall is the more elaborate of the two end wall compositions with a more intricate Federal mantel and a built-in glazed door cupboard to the west of the fireplace. Fixed in the northeast corner is an enclosed winder stair that has four steps outside the stair enclosure. Three rectangular balusters per tread rise to a molded handrail which is

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anchored by a turned newel post. The stair enclosure is entered through a six-panel door. The closet beneath the staircase is accessed through a raised four-panel door, which is framed by a Greek ovolo backband surround. A Greek ovolo surround frames the firebox and supports paneled plinth blocks underneath a stepped and broken profile mantel shelf. The wall surface above the mantel is finished with vertical, beaded edge tongue-and-groove boards. Fixed in the northwest corner is a built-in glazed door cupboard with double leaf eight-pane doors above raised panel bottom doors. To the right side of the cupboard is a narrow cupboard accessed behind a raised panel door. The room retains paneled chair rail and paneled door and window surrounds that incorporate plain corner blocks. The south end wall features an enclosed boxed winder stair in the southeast corner, which rises behind a raised six-panel door. A raised four-panel door opens into the closet under the stairs. The mantel is less elaborate than the north end mantel in that it does not have frieze blocks or a broken shelf. The wall surface above the mantel is finished with tongue and groove boards. To the right (west) of the chimney breast is a six-panel door that opens into the kitchen.

The kitchen has been remodeled with the removal of the ceiling plaster and exposure of the floor joists.

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SIGNFICANCE SUMMARY

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HISTORY AND SUPPORT

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¹ Dorchester County Land Record, ER 11/59-60, 24 November 1827, Dorchester County Courthouse.

² Seventh Census of the United States, 1850, Population Schedule for Dorchester County, Ancestry. com

³ Dorchester County Marriage Record Book, 1780-1860, Dorchester County Courthouse.

Dorchester County Land Record, JFD 23/640, 19 April 1929, Dorchester County Courthouse.

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4608 Hooper's Island Road
Taylor's Island, Dorchester County, Maryland

Map 48, Parcel 10

CHAIN-OF-TITLE

PLC 246/566

Perry F. Twining and Erlyne Twining

to

9.24,1987

Cygnat Investment Group

Part of the same property conveyed in two deeds;

A. from Wallis Boileau, Jr., 3.9.1970, PLC 163/494

B. from Joseph A. Waldschmitt, et ux. 11.9.1973, PLC 182/488

PLC 163/494

Wallis Boileau, Jr. and Doris A. Boileau

to

3.9.1970

Perry F. Twining and Erlyne Twining

"Patrick's Progress" or "Patrick's Discovery" also known as the Moses Navy Farm

(The said Edith R. Boileau has heretofore departed this life leaving the said Wallis Boileau, Jr. the sole fee simple owner of the aforesaid land and Property as surviving tenant by the entirety, and being so seized and Possessed of the said land and property, he has intermarried with Doris A. Boileau, his present wife)

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RSM 77/582

A. Jason Sawyer, et ux.

to

4.4.1952

Wallis Boileau, Jr. and Edith R. Boileau

Plat Book 11/46

RSM 75/145

Beatrice E. Marshall

to

3.29.1951

G. Jason Sawyer and Mildred E. Sawyer

Will Book RPS 6/50 Last Will and Testament of J. Emory Marshall (aka John E. Marshall)

to, wife

March 1946

Elsie Gustin Marshall, and the to children, Byron T. Marshall, Beatrice E.

Marshall, Hilda M. Willoughby, and Caleb Russell Marshall

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JFD 23/640

Betty G. Travers, widow, Elizabeth T. Prettyman and Daniel B. Prettyman, Edwin G. Travers, Hettya J. Travers, Carl O. Travers, and Nellie J. Travers

to

4.19.1929

John E. Marshall

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Thomas H. Travers and Eliza J. Travers

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Samuel M. Travers

"Patrick's Progress" or Patrick's Discovery" situate on Oyster Creek, on Taylor's Island...adjoining the lands of Robert L. Spilman, and wife, the heirs of the late W. W. Cator, dec'd, Edward L. Griffith and Josiah Cornish,

164 acres...the land having been the home farm of the late Moses Navy. deceased, which he in his life time obtained by deed from Whitefield Woolford \$6,500

Dorchester County Marriage Record

Eliza Jane Navy married Thomas H. Travers, 22 November 1854

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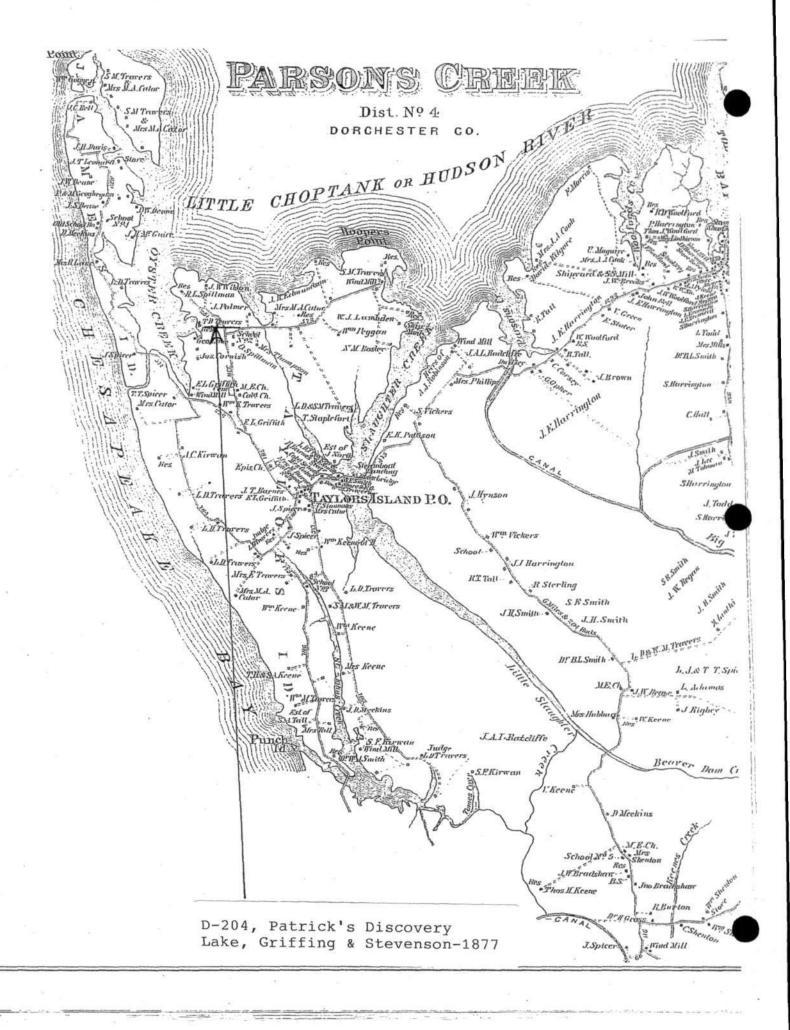
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Moses Navy (1797-1855)

\$1904.00 "Patrick's Progress" 144 acres...the land was devised to Eliza Woolford by her father John Brohawn





9. Major Bibliographical References

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Dorchester County Land Records, various volumes, Dorchester County Courthouse. Interview with Perry Twining, 3.17.11

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property Acreage of historical setting Quadrangle name

53.41 acres 164 acres Taylor's Island, MD

Quadrangle scale: 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

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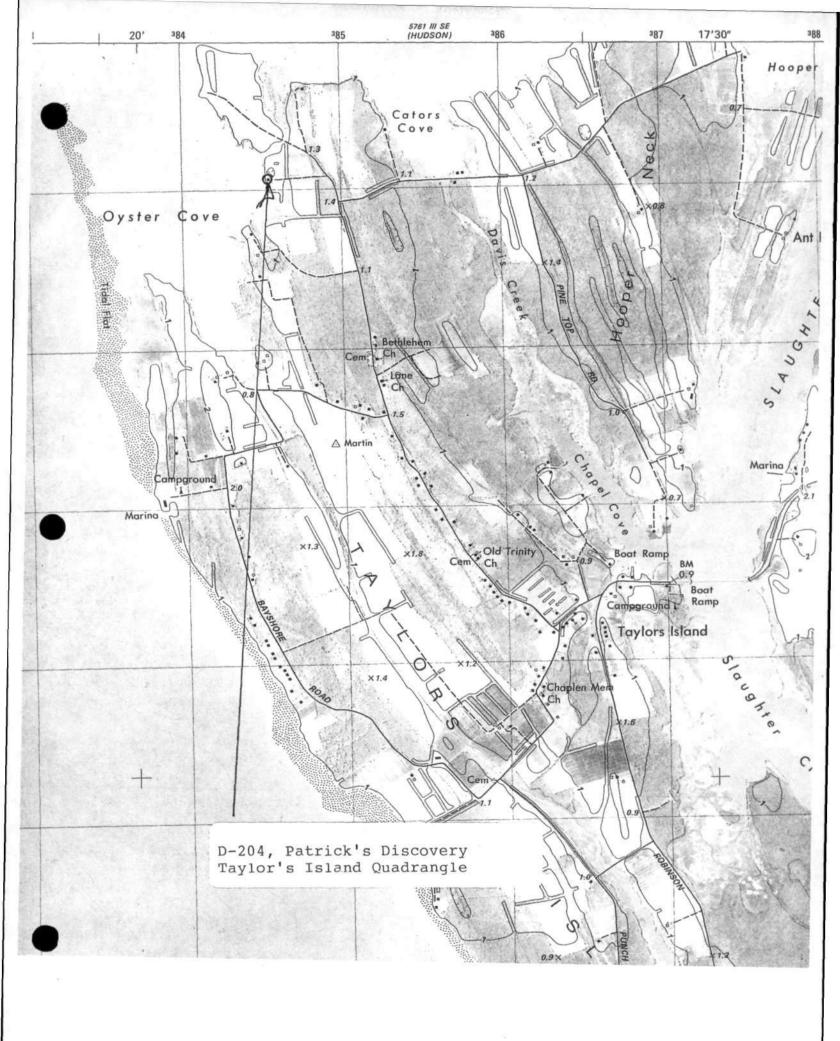
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The house is composed of two sections. The tall part of the house is three bays long, two storys tall, one room deep with a chimney within both of the gables. The building is built on a brick foundation covered with beaded weather-boarding. All the windows have 6/6 sash and it has a "A" roof. The smaller section is also two storys but a low two storys, three bays long, one room deep, actually the one room is the kitchen. The tall part of the house appears to be a little earlierthan the kitchen.

The interior of the house is composed of the kitchen and living-dining room Actually the main part of the house was two rooms, but the previous owners took out the partition which was between them. Both of the rooms had fireplaces with period mantels. The enclosed stairs ascends in the east corner of the one large room. The woodwork is very good, there are raised panel doors in what was the "hall" or the main room and there is a balastrade leading up to the door of the enclosed stair, the newel post is tiger maple, turned; the hand rail is a little bit more curvatious than that in the Spicer's house but otherwise very similar. Above the closet door under the steps there are two raised panels and above the mantel is recent vertical board panel-It appears to have had a plaster panel above. West of the fireplace is a glazed cabinet with double doors and panel doors beneath it. Between the glazed cabinet and the fireplace is another cabinet about half the width of the other one, with a panel door both above and below. chair rail in the two rooms is rather interesting in that the molding is the same one at the top and bottom and it returns upon itself when it meets the door or the ends of the walls, so actually it creates a narrow panel. The beams are exposed in the room. The dining half of the large room has a very similar arrangement with an enclosed stair, with closet beneath. The stair lacks a balastrade and above the closet door instead of two panels there are vertical board panels, again above this fireplace which is quite big and very tall, is some more modern vertical board sheathing. Originally it had a plaster panel. On the side of the fireplace which leads to the door between the kitchen and dining room there is a cupboard with a paneled door.

The kitchen has mid-19th century woodwork, that is with corner blocks. The chimney fireplace has been mostly recon-

structed with a raised hearth and brick facing.

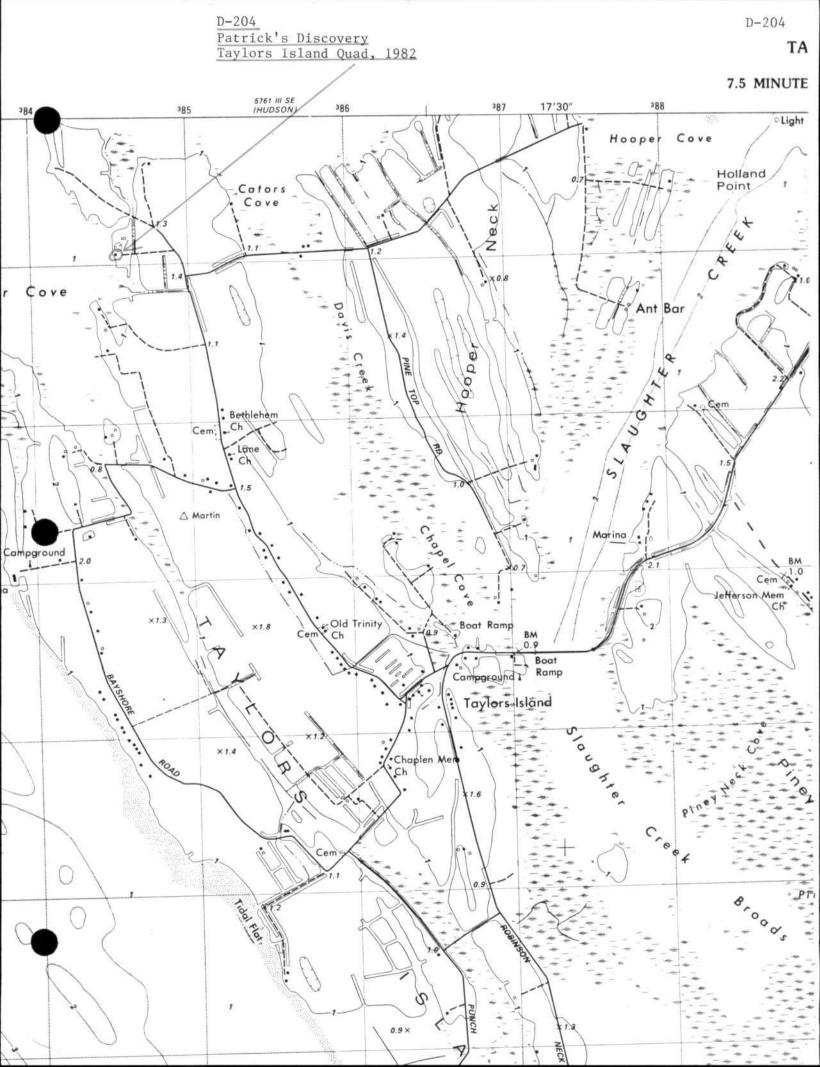
The second floor has been remodeled, but the majority of the woodwork remains. There originally were two halls and two rooms but, one of the halls was made into a bathroom, and the other two rooms into one bedroom. The attic is very interesting because it is completely carpeted and finished and insulated. On the bay side of the "A" roof are panels of plexiglass which extend almost the full length of the rafters. The view from the attic is superb, it overlooks

Oyster Creek to a small island which was part of James Island. In the distance Calvert Cliffs, the necular power plant, can be seen.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE					

Patrick's Discovery is of importance to the survey of Dorchester County because it is a well built house of the second quarter of the 19th century. Its form is like many vernacular structures in the county, originally having a "hall and parlor" plan. The woodwork is of exceptional quality for a vernacular structure for here the carpenter executed some details which are done in vernacular manner, but with an eye toward what was becoming stylish. Its cabinet arrangement is similar to several houses in Dorchester County, Ruby Brooks house, having similar work.

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